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	<b>First Named Inventor</b>	Anton FRITZER
	<b>COMPLETE IF KNOWN</b>	
	<b>Application Number</b>	09 / 945,552
	<b>Filing Date</b>	September 2, 2001
	<b>Group Art Unit</b>	
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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CONTACT PRESSURE REGULATION SYSTEM

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

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as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number 09/945,552 and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

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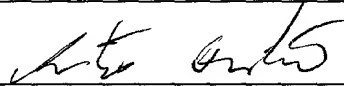

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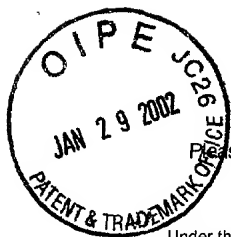
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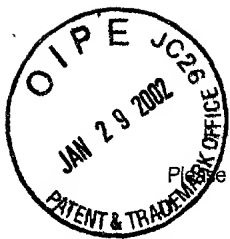
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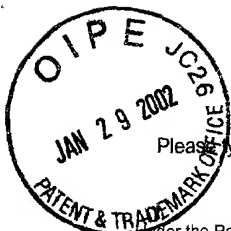
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